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RE: VICENTE LOMBARDO TOLEDANO

Vicente Lombardo Toledano, a member of the Administrative Committee of the World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU) by virtue of his position as president of the Confederation of Latin American Workers (CTAL), arrived in San Francisco, California, from Washington, D. C. on or about April 22, 1945. Lombardo Toledano had been in Washington, D. C. from about April 10, 1945, to April 19, 1945, attending sessions of the Administrative Committee of the World Federation of Trade Unions. This Committee was meeting for the purpose of drafting a constitution for a new International of trade unions and to consider plans for seeking representation of the recently formed WFTU at the San Francisco UNCIO. The Administrative Committee reportedly adjourned in Washington, D. C. on April 19, 1945, and all its members proceeded in a body to Oakland, California, where meetings were resumed.

For your information regarding the WFTU, plans were laid for a conference at London, England, of the trade unions of the United Nations and neutral countries as early as June, 1944, but pending invasion plans at that time necessitated its cancellation. Such a conference was ultimately held in February, 1945, in London, delegates from trade unions of about 40 nations representing a claimed membership of from fifty to sixty million workers attending the meeting. A decision was reached by the delegates to establish a new International of trade unions: a second conference was scheduled for September, 1945; and a Continuations Committee of some 45 members was chosen to conduct the business of the newly planned organization pending the September, 1945 reconvention of the conference. Playing outstanding roles in the formation of the International were the British Trades Union Congress; the Labor Organizations of the USSR; the CIO, which was the only organization from the United States actively participating in the conference; the CTAL, whose delegation was headed by Lombardo Toledano; and the Reorganized Labor Movement of France.

From the Continuations Committee there was chosen an Administrative Committee which was charged with the drafting of a constitution to be considered for adoption

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at the scheduled September, 1945 conference. This Administrative Committee made plans for a meeting in Washington, D. C. on April 10, 1945, to work on the constitution draft and to repair to San Francisco prior to the opening of the Security Conference in order to be on hand to seek representation at UNCIO in a consultative and advisory capacity.

Participating in the work of the Administrative Committee were the following individuals representing the organizations named:

Representing the CIO:	Philip Murray Sidney Hillman
Representing the Soviet trade unions:	Vassili Kuznetsov M. P. Tarasov
Representing the CTAL:	Vicente Lombardo Toledano Angel Cofino
Representing the British Trades Union Congress:	Sir Walter Citrine Ebby Edwards
Representing the International Federation of Trade Unions:	Walter Schevenels J. H. Oldenbroeck
Representing the French trade unions:	Louis Saillant Benoit Franchon
Representing Chinese trade unions:	H. T. Liu

Regarding the activities of Vicente Lombardo Toledano at San Francisco upon his arrival there, he reportedly took up residence at 251 Brentwood Avenue as the guest of C. R. Schneider and daughter. In a press interview with Jane Gilbert, reporter for the "Peoples' World," a Communist dominated publication in San Francisco, Lombardo Toledano stated that a revolutionizing of the International Labor Organization must be accomplished and that reorganization of the International Labor Office will be discussed at a meeting of the Governing Body of the organization at Quebec in June, 1945.

It will be recalled that Lombardo Toledano is a member of the Governing Body of the International Labor Organization, a tripartite body originally set up in conjunction with the League of Nations and including representatives of governments, employers, and workers of all member nations. Please refer to

the report of Special Agent David E. Maas dated June 3, 1944, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, captioned "Communist Infiltration of International Labor Conference, Internal Security - C," transmitted to your attention by letter dated July 7, 1944, for extensive details regarding the International Labor Organization, its annual meeting in the United States in April and May, 1944, and Lombardo Toledano's connections with the organization.

At this press meeting Lombardo Toledano stated that it is the task of the Administrative Committee of the WFTU to bring recommendations of the London Conference before the United Nations at San Francisco and that "Of course, the World Labor Organization wants representation within the new Security Organization on all bodies."

Lombardo Toledano on May 3, 1945, addressed a meeting of Accion Democraata Espanola regarding the Argentine issue. Lombardo Toledano stated that the admission of Argentina to UNCIO is the greatest blow in years to democratic American workers. He stated that the CTAL will "wage an unceasing campaign to overthrow the present Argentina Government and will work toward the establishment of a constitutional regime."

Vicente Lombardo Toledano was reported to have been in contact with Hector Raysse Reyes of the Uruguayan delegation at UNCIO and with Luis Quintanilla, Mexican delegate and former Ambassador to the USSR. He is reported to have used the rooms of the Mexican delegates to the United States as his headquarters part of the time.

The California Labor School, a Communist dominated institution, invited Lombardo Toledano to a party and he is known to have spoken at a public meeting sponsored by the School on May 4, 1945, the subject of his address being cooperation between the California Labor School and the Workers University of Mexico of which latter institution he is the president. Lombardo Toledano has reportedly been in contact with various officials of the California Labor School, including David Jenkins and Dr. Holland Roberts. David Jenkins is the Executive Director of the California Labor School. He is reported to be an active and loyal member of the Communist Political Association and is generally considered as one of

the most important Communists on the West Coast. Dr. Holland Roberts is Educational Director of the California Labor School. Roberts is not known to be a member of the Communist Political Association but he has been active over a period of years in various Communist front organizations. He is presently the President of the American Russian Institute in San Francisco.

Lombardo Toledano has also been in contact with Eleanor Kahn, Campaign Director for the Harry Bridges Victory Committee, and Marion Bachrach, Executive Secretary of the Council for Pan American Democracy, New York City. Both of these individuals have figured prominently in Communist activities in the United States. Kahn is employed in San Francisco as a member of the Research Department of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, CIO of which Harry Bridges is the President, and handled an extensive pressure campaign in Washington, D. C. on Bridges' behalf just prior to the recent argument of his deportation case before the Supreme Court of the United States. She has been observed in attendance at CPA meetings and is reliably reported to be an active member of that organization. Bachrach is the sister of John J. Abt whose wife, Jessica Smith, is editor of "Soviet Russia Today." Bachrach has resided in New York City in recent years where she has taught at the Jefferson School of Social Science, a Communist supported school; has been a close contact of prominent Communists; and has been a speaker at various Communist and Communist front organization meetings.

Vicente Lombardo Toledano left San Francisco, California, en route to Mexico City by way of Los Angeles, California, arriving in the latter city on the evening of May 11, 1945. He was accompanied by his wife and Angel Cofino, the other CTAL delegate on the Administrative Committee of the WFTU. The party was met in Los Angeles at the airport by a small group of people including Felix Kusman, National Organizer for the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, and John McTernan, Attorney and known contact of leading Communists in the Los Angeles area. Kusman, as organizer for the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, has had many contacts with prominent Communist functionaries throughout the United States. McTernan is associated with the Los Angeles law firm of Katz, Gallagher, Margolis, Isserman, and Bachelis, et al.

All of the leading members of this firm are reported to be active Communists. McTernan is known to be in contact with CPA headquarters and with such leading Communists as Carl Winter, President of the Los Angeles CPA.

The entire party, with the exception of Kusman, remained at the airport with Lombardo Toledano until his departure. Lombardo Toledano, his wife, and Angel Cofino proceeded via Pan American Airways from Palmdale, California, during the late evening of May 11, 1945, en route to Mexico City.